Engineering Diplomas.

Q.—440. Sri B. T. KEMPA RAJ (Bangalore South-Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Engineering Diplomas have not been recognised by the Centre;

(*b*) for the last how many years;

(*c*) whether there is any proposal to include these Diplomas in the anticipated formation of the Technical Board;

(*d*) if so, what is the purpose;

(*e*) how many students have sat for the final Diploma Examination this year?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) They have been recognised.

(*b*) The Diplomas of the School of Engineering, Bangalore, were recognised by Central Government in May 1952 and the Diploma in Civil Draughtsmanship of the Sri Jayachamarajendra Occupational Institute, Bangalore, in December 1952.

(*c*) These examinations will come within the purview of the Central Board of Technical Examinations.

(*d*) With a view to establish a central authority for conducting Public Examinations of the several Technical Institutions and for award of Diplomas and Certificates, Government approved the constitution of a Central Board of Technical Examinations under the direction of the Special Officer for Occupational Institutes. Accordingly a Central Board of Technical Examinations has been constituted with the Special Officer as Chairman of the Board. The constitution of such a Board is considered to enhance the status of the Diplomas and Certificates issued to the students.

(*e*) Three hundred and seventy-two.

Samskriti Prachara.

Q.—443. Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Molakalmuru).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount of money spent so far for *Samskriti Prachara;*

(*b*) the amount of money spent for T.A., D.A., printing the speeches and pamphlets, etc., for inaugurating this scheme;

(*c*) the results achieved so far in the working of this scheme;

(*d*) the budget head from which this expenditure has been met?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) Nil.

(*b*) (i) Rs. 770-12-3 spent by the Deputy Commissioners of Districts (except Mysore) on printing. No money has been spent on T.A. and D.A. in the Districts.

(ii) Rs. 180 incurred by the Mysore University under the University extension lectures scheme.

(*c*) It is too early to gauge.

(*d*) "40—'A' Rural Development, 4. Publicity and Propaganda and other expenditure".

Primary and Middle Schools in Madhugiri and Pavagada Taluks.

Q.—471. Sri C. T. HANUMANTHAIYA (Pavagada—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Primary and Middle Schools in the three hoblis of Midigesi, Itakadibbanahalli and Kodigenahalli of Madhugiri and Pavagada Taluks;

(*b*) in how many places the buildings are in a dilapidated condition?